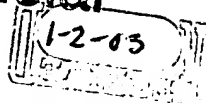


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In re application of Mazda Salmanian)

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) Examiner: Dmitry Levitan

Filed : August 26, 1999)

For : CALL ADMISSION CONTROL METHOD
AND APPARATUS FOR CELLULAR
SYSTEMS)AMENDMENTAssistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 2, 2002 please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Cancel claim 17 and amend claims 14, 15 and 16 as follows:

14. (Amended) A MAC (media access control) layer implementation device operable to perform call admission control upon receipt of a request for a new session, the device comprising:

means for making an estimate of a new system FER which will result should the new session be admitted; and

means for deciding to admit or to deny the new session on the basis of the new system FER estimate.

15. (Amended) A base station operable to perform a call admission control upon receipt of a